

What does Medicaid cover?

Medicaid covers these basic services, some with limitations:

- , doctor visits,
- , specialists,
- , hospital,
- , mental health,
- , dental,
- , chiropractic, and
- , pharmacy.
- , birth control,
- , emergency room and
- , emergency transportation,
- , lab and x-rays,
- , medical supplies,
- , nursing home,
- , maternity care,
- , physical therapy, and
- , some transportation services

If you are interested in applying or want more information about Medicaid you may call:

1(800)662-9651

or look in your phone book in the blue pages under State government listings for Health Department or Department Workforce Services.

State of Utah
Department of Health
PO Box 143108
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-3108

What is Medicaid?



**PM 980
July 2003**

Medicaid is a program which covers medical expenses for certain groups of people who have limited income and resources. Medicaid has programs for pregnant women, children, parents and other relatives who have dependent children living with them, people who are 65 years old and older, people who are disabled or blind, and adults who do not have access to other insurance.

Who is eligible?

To be eligible for Medicaid a person must meet the following requirements. A person must:

- meet a Medicaid program (pregnant, child, disabled etc)
- be a U.S. citizen or qualified resident alien (unless they are applying for emergency services only)
- meet income and asset limits
- intend to be a Utah resident

How do I apply?

Applications are available at any of the State of Utah Health Department offices or Department of Workforce Services offices. Many hospitals and health clinics around the state have Medicaid workers onsite to take your application.

You may apply in person or by mail. When we receive your application, a

Medicaid worker will contact you to do an interview. The interview may be done in person or over the phone. The Medicaid worker will tell you what proofs you need to give us to decide if you are eligible. You can mail these proofs to your worker or bring them to our office.

Some helpful definitions

Assets

Bank and credit union accounts, cash, stocks, bonds, life insurance policies. Items that you and your family own or are buying such as vehicles, a home or other property. Some assets are exempt from being counted towards your eligibility.

Income

Earned income (wages, tips) and unearned income (Social Security, Unemployment, Child Support). These are just a few examples of income. When determining your eligibility we look at the gross income. This is income before any deductions.

Medicare

A health insurance program for the aged or disabled administered by the Social Security Administration. Utah's Department of Health has Medicare cost sharing programs that will help pay your Medicare part B premium if you qualify.

PCN

The Primary Care Network (PCN) is a program for adults who do not qualify for Medicaid, Medicare, or have access to other insurance.

Covered At Work

The Covered at Work Program provides reimbursement for some employer-sponsored insurance costs.

CHIP

Children's Health Insurance Program is for children under the age of 19 who do not qualify for Medicaid and do not have access to affordable health insurance.

Retroactive benefits

You may request Medicaid for any of the three months immediately preceding the date we receive your application.

Spenddown

A spenddown is the difference between countable income and the income limit for the household size and program. This is the amount you will have to pay to buy your medicaid card each month. Not all Medicaid programs allow you to spenddown to become eligible.